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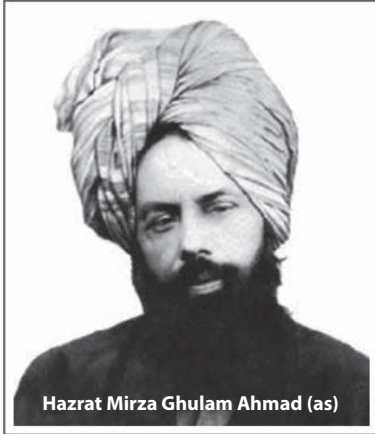
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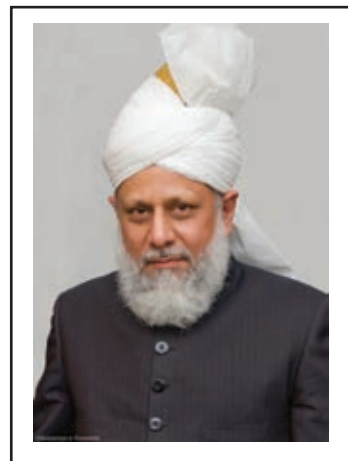
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- sa: Sallallahu 'Alaihi Wa Sallam
(peace and blessings of Allah be upon him)
- as: 'Alaihis-Salam (may peace be upon him)
- ra: Radiyallahu 'Anhu/'Anha (may Allah be pleased with him/her)
- rh: Rahimahullahu Ta'ala (may Allah shower His mercy on him)
- aba: Ayyadahullahu Ta'ala Bi-Nasrihil-'Aziz
(may Allah support him with His mighty help)

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FROM THE HOLY QUR'AN

He it is Who has raised among the unlettered people a Messenger from among themselves who recites unto them His Signs, and purifies them, and teaches them the Book and wisdom, although they had been, before, in manifest misguidance;

And among others from among them who have not yet joined them. He is the Mighty, the Wise.

That is Allah's grace; He bestows it on whom He pleases; and Allah is the Master of immense grace.

The Holy Qur'an (62:3-5)

هُوَ الَّذِي بَعَثَ فِي الْأُمِّيِّينَ رَسُولًا مِنْهُمْ
يَتْلُوا عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتِهِ وَيُزَكِّيهِمْ وَيُعَلِّمُهُمُ
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لَفِي ضَلَالٍ مُبِينٍ ①

وَأَخْرَجَ مِنْهُمْ لِمَا يُلْحَقُوا بِهِمْ وَهُوَ
الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ ②

ذَٰلِكَ فَضْلُ اللَّهِ يُؤْتِيهِ مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَاللَّهُ
ذُو الْفَضْلِ الْعَظِيمِ ③

SAYING OF THE PROPHET MUHAMMAD (sa)

The Holy Prophet Muhammad (sa) said:
"By Him in Whose hand is my soul, the Son of Mary will
soon descend among you as a righteous judge;
he will abolish the cross and kill the swine,
and there will be no remuneration (jizya), and he will
distribute wealth such that no one will accept it,
and one prostration will be better than the
whole world and all that is in it."

(Sahih al-Bukhari, Kitab ahadith al-Anbiya, Hadith 3448)



EDITORIAL

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A search of the internet for “The Second Coming of the Messiah” results in hundreds of links providing perspectives of almost every major and minor religion and various individuals on this topic. One can see that each religion contains prophecies and signs concerning the advent of a religious personality who will appear to repel and dispel: “The powers of darkness of satanic influence from this world, and the glory, majesty, unity and holiness of One Supreme Being would be proclaimed upon earth and would continue to be declared till the doomsday” (1).

“Each faith has a similar concept about the Latter Days, about the condition of human beings, about the signs of coming of the Messiah, about his character and works, and again the expectation that the Messiah will re-establish righteousness upon earth, bring peace and unite all mankind under one religion” (1).

The Hindus talk about Neha Kalank Avatar; the Christians talk about the appearance of a Messiah; the Muslims are awaiting the arrival of the Mahdi and Messiah, as well as the physical Second Coming of Jesus (as); the Jewish faith has a concept of the prophet or messiah called Immanuel who will restore the Jewish race to their lofty status of the Chosen People; the Zoroastrians believe in the coming of Mesio Darbahme. Similarly, Prophet Buddha predicted his return, and Sikhs believe Baba Guru Nanak foretold the advent of a great Reformer.

If the advent of future Messengers has ceased, how is it that all these people agree on the single fact that a Promised One of the Latter Days was yet to appear?

In this issue of the Muslim Sunrise, we present teachings and proof of the Second Coming of the awaited Messiah based on the Holy Qur’an and the Ahadith (sayings of the Prophet Muhammad (sa)), the Holy Bible, and the writings of the Promised Messiah and Mahdi himself, Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as).

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as) was the Messiah of the Latter Days. Jesus (as) will not return. This is an undeniable fact that the world is coming (and will come) to know.



Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qadian,
The Promised Messiah and Mahdi (as)

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IN THE WORDS OF THE PROMISED MESSIAH(as)

Prophecies of mine

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad,
The Promised Messiah and Mahdi (as)

Even if a person were to strive all his life in the hope of finding some prophecy of mine about which he could assert that it has remained unfulfilled, he will not find a single one, though, out of shameless audacity or ignorance, he may say whatever he likes. I declare emphatically that there are thousands of explicit prophecies of mine that have been fulfilled with great clarity and to which hundreds of thousands of people bear witness. If you try to find precedence among past Prophets, you will not find it, with the sole exception of the Holy Prophet (sa)...I know it for a fact that the clarity with which God Almighty is manifesting Himself in this age and the way He is revealing to His servant hundreds of matters pertaining to the unseen, no parallel of it can be found in earlier times. People will soon see the Countenance of God Almighty becoming manifest in this age, as though He Himself had descended from heaven. For a long time, He kept Himself hidden, and He was denied but He remained silent. Now, however, He will conceal Himself no longer and the world shall witness such manifestation of His Power as their forefathers had never seen. This shall happen because the world has become corrupt, and people no longer believe in the Creator of heaven and earth. They only pay lip service to Him, but their hearts have turned away from Him. This is why God said, 'Now I shall create a new Heaven and a new Earth.' This simply means that the earth had died, i.e., the hearts of the people of this earth had become cold as if they were dead, for the Countenance of God was hidden from them, and all previous heavenly signs had come to be regarded as mere

tales. God, therefore, willed to create a new Earth and a new Heaven. What is that new Heaven? And what is that new Earth? The new Earth are the pure hearts whom God prepares with His own hand; they are manifested by God and He shall be manifested through them. The new Heaven are the signs that are being shown by His servant with His permission. Alas! the world treated this New Manifestation of God with hostility. They are left with nothing but tales, and their 'God' is none other than their own fantasies. Their hearts are awry, their will exhausted, and their eyes covered with veils.



Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qadian,
The Promised Messiah and Mahdi (as)

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Purpose of the Advent of the Promised Messiah (as)

Summary of the Friday Sermon
delivered by Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad,
Khalifatul-Masih V (aba)
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After reciting Tashahhud, Ta'awwuz and Surah al-Fatihah, His Holiness, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aba) said that two days ago was March 23rd which is known in the Ahmadiyya Community as Promised Messiah Day. This was the day on which the first Bai'at (pledge of allegiance) was taken at his hand.

His Holiness (aba) said that the Community holds Jalsas (gatherings) to commemorate this day by recounting the purpose of the Promised Messiah's (as) advent which was foretold by the Holy Prophet (sa) and accompanied by numerous signs.

The Purpose of the Promised Messiah's (as) Advent

With regards to the purpose of his advent, the Promised Messiah (as) said that God commissioned him to defend Islam at a time when it was being attacked from all sides. In fact, there were about 60 million Muslims in India, and there were 60 million books written against the religion of Islam. Had God Himself not procured the means for its protection, Islam would have been erased from the face of the earth. However, God would not allow this to happen, and according to His promise, established the means for the protection of Islam.

His Holiness (aba) said that he would quote various writings of the Second Caliph, Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra), regarding the Promised Messiah (as). Hearing these incidents can be beneficial only if we ponder over them and use them as a means to strengthen our faith.

Answering An Allegation

One of the allegations which is usually raised against

prophets is that whatever they say or teach is told to them by someone else. This allegation was also raised against the Holy Prophet (sa), whereas the things taught by the Holy Prophet (sa) could not have been told to him by any other man. His Holiness (aba) said that the same allegation was raised against the Promised Messiah (as).

It was alleged that Maulvi Charagh Ali used to write about various topics to the Promised Messiah (as) and the Promised Messiah (as) used those to write his book Barahin-e-Ahmadiyya. Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) says that it contradicts reason to think that Maulvi Charagh Ali would take his best points and send them to someone else to publish, rather than publishing them himself. Furthermore, if one were to compare the writings of the Promised Messiah (as) with the writings of Maulvi Charagh Ali, it would become clear that there is absolutely no similarity between the two. Maulvi Charagh Ali merely gathered Biblical references in his books, whereas the Promised Messiah (as) presented such knowledge regarding Islam in his books which had never been brought to light in 1,300 years.

How Opposition Serves a Purpose

Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) relates that the Promised Messiah (as) used to say that it bothered him when people cursed him, but it also bothered him if they did not, because, without opposition, the Community would not flourish. There were various occasions where opposition arose which caused disorder during the time of the Promised Messiah (as), and people thought that it would be the end of the Community. However, every time, in the face of such opposition, the Ahmadiyya Community would always come out of these hardships even stronger.

His Holiness (aba) said that this has always been the case, and will continue to be the case. Even today, opponents and hypocrites do their utmost, yet the Ahmadiyya Community will persist and only get stronger.

At times when opponents say things against the Community, people wish to see the reality for themselves and whether there is any truth to the claims. Once, during the time of the Promised Messiah (as) a man from Rampur came to the Promised Messiah (as) saying that he wished to pledge allegiance. The Promised Messiah (as) was surprised and asked how the man had come to know of him, as there are not many members of the Community in Rampur nor has the Community extensively propagated its message there. The man said that he was given a book by Maulvi Sanaullah in which he had written against the Ahmadiyya Community and gathered various references of the Promised Messiah (as). The man wished to check the references from the original source, and upon opening the books of the Promised Messiah (as) he was astonished at the manner in which he had praised and expressed love for the Holy Prophet (sa) and the manner in which he had defended Islam. This changed his heart and he decided to pledge allegiance to the Promised Messiah (as).

Example of the Promised Messiah's (as) Humility

Another allegation raised against prophets is that they can be stern at times. Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra) explained that a prophet is never stern for themselves, rather it is in defense and protection of their faith. Otherwise, when it comes to themselves, prophets adopt the utmost humility. For example, once, while the Promised Messiah (as) was walking in Lahore, a man came and pushed him, however, the Promised Messiah (as) did not allow those with him to retaliate. Instead, the Promised Messiah (as) said that he must have done so thinking he was defending the truth because clerics had indoctrinated him with the thought that the Promised Messiah (as) was false. Thus, a prophet only stands to defend the faith and adopts humility when it comes to themselves.

God Himself decides who to honor, and in this day and age, true honor is associated with the Promised Messiah (as). He said that clerics such as Maulvi Sanaullah were only known because of their opposition to the Promised Messiah (as). His Holiness (aba) said that the same proves today, as clerics attain prominence and are known when they raise their voices in opposition to Ahmadiyyat.

Attempts to Dishonor the Promised Messiah (as) Backfire

Once, Maulvi Muhammad Husain Batalvi leveled false

charges against the Promised Messiah (as) due to which a hearing was scheduled. When the Promised Messiah (as) arrived, Captain Douglas, the deputy commissioner, offered the Promised Messiah (as) a chair to sit on. Maulvi Muhammad Husain Batalvi had plotted this all in order to try and humiliate the Promised Messiah (as), so it angered him to see that the Promised Messiah (as) was being respected and had been given a chair. Batalvi therefore also demanded to be given a chair. Upon this, Captain Douglas sternly told him that he would not be given a chair. Thus, although Batalvi wished to humiliate the Promised Messiah (as), it was in fact he who was humiliated by God.

Once, the Promised Messiah (as) had a debate with some Christians. When the Christians realized that none of their arguments were working, they devised a plot whereby they brought some blind, deaf and disabled people and when the Promised Messiah (as) arrived, they demanded that if he claimed to be the second coming of Jesus, then he should cure these people, just as he (Jesus) had. The Muslims present became worried, however, the Promised Messiah (as) replied that according to Islam, Jesus (as) did not physically heal such people. He said that he could show miracles similar to those shown by the Holy Prophet (sa). If Christians believe that Jesus (as) physically healed people, then the Bible also says that if one possesses faith even as much as a mustard seed, then they too can cure such people. The Promised Messiah (as) said that the Christians had made things much easier for him, and said that according to their own teaching, if they held even as much faith as a mustard seed, then they should prove it by curing these people they had brought. This answer by the Promised Messiah (as) rendered the Christians speechless.

God Almighty's Support of the Promised Messiah (as)

A person said to the Promised Messiah (as) that Muslims only listen to their clerics, and if he wanted to propagate his message, he should have invited these clerics and explained to them that Jesus (as) has passed away, and then he should have also given various proofs for the second coming of Jesus (as) and the advent of the Promised Messiah (as). The Promised Messiah (as) said that his mission was not a man-made one, and God Himself would see to its spread and success.

There was also the sign of the solar and lunar eclipses which were fulfilled as signs of the Promised Messiah's (as) truthfulness. There were many signs that were fulfilled; however, Muslims would say that even though all the signs foretold to accompany the latter-day Messiah were fulfilled, it was simply a matter of coincidence that there

was a claimant to being the Messiah.

The Promised Messiah (as) was always supported by the help of God. There were numerous plots against the Promised Messiah (as) and various false charges levelled against him as well. However, God would bring the falsehood of these claims to light. Once, while people were plotting how to defeat the Promised Messiah (as) and came up with various schemes, one person, Maulvi Umaruddin suggested that there was no reason to devise such intricate plots, he would simply go and kill the Promised Messiah (as). He was told that such plots had already been attempted but to no avail. Maulvi Umaruddin thought that if so many attempts had been made, yet the Promised Messiah (as) was still saved, then he must be truthful. As a result, he went to Qadian and pledged allegiance to the Promised Messiah (as). There were many opponents who wished to eliminate the Promised Messiah (as), but according to His promise, God ensured that the Promised Messiah (as) was always protected.

The Promised Messiah (as) said that a seed planted by God is protected by His angels. Had this movement been initiated by man, then it would have been erased, however, if it has been established by God, then it will remain strong and strive forth.

His Holiness (aba) prayed that we may be enabled to fulfill our pledge of allegiance and reap the blessings of Allah by spreading the message of the Promised Messiah (as). May we never be among those who are disloyal.

“A SEED PLANTED BY GOD IS PROTECTED BY HIS ANGELS. HAD THIS MOVEMENT BEEN INITIATED BY MAN, THEN IT WOULD HAVE BEEN ERASED, HOWEVER, IF IT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED BY GOD, THEN IT WILL REMAIN STRONG AND STRIVE FORTH.”



Blessings of God upon the Promised Messiah (as)

Among the great signs which God Almighty has shown in my support and which resemble the signs of Prophethood, is this prophecy recorded in *Brahin-e-Ahmadiyya*:

“Allah shall shield thee, even though the people will not; and even if the people do not protect thee, Allah shall protect thee.”

This prophecy pointed to the time of trials and tribulations when everyone would turn away from me, and would conspire to destroy or assassinate me. And this is what came to pass after I made my claim of being the Promised Messiah and Mahdi. All at once everyone stood up against me, and began to find ways to denounce me with reference to the Holy Qur'an and Hadith. But when they failed in this, and it was established from the explicit verses that the Messiah had in fact died, then the Maulavis [a learned teacher or doctor of Islamic law, used especially in India as a form of address for a learned Muslim who ministers to the religious needs of others] started issuing edicts urging my assassination, and began inciting the general public through pamphlets and books by telling them that they could earn great spiritual reward by assassinating me...In a frenzy of animosity, they started thinking up every possible scheme that one can think of in order to destroy one's enemy. They conspired secretly and spared no effort in executing their plans. They exerted all their power and, just like the infidels of Mecca, left no stone unturned to humiliate and destroy me. But twenty years ago, God Almighty had clearly told me in the above Revelation, 'I will protect you from the evil of the enemies.' In keeping with His true promise, He protected me.

It was only by the grace of God that, even though these people hatched all kinds of plots to kill me, their efforts came to naught. And God Almighty fulfilled His promise which is recorded on page 510 of *Brahin-e-Ahmadiyya*, i.e., God Almighty would protect me from every evil design of the enemies even though they might want to destroy me. It was, therefore, a grand prophecy and was in keeping with the norms of Prophethood, for all past Prophets and Messengers had to face this trial; evil people would surround them like dogs, and they would not rest content with ridicule and derision but would want to tear them apart and cut them to pieces. Yet the Hand of Almighty God saved them. The same thing has happened in my case. In their opposition to me, the Maulavis have even forgotten their mutual differences, and,

as far as possible, they have got pundits and padres from other faiths to make common cause with them. As a result, the earth has been filled with animosity towards me, like a cup that is filled with poison. But God Almighty protected my honour from the attacks of these people, just as He has always protected His holy Prophets. This was a grand prophecy published twenty years ago in *Brahin-e-Ahmadiyya*, which has now been fulfilled in full glory. Let him who has eyes see whether this is the work of God or of man!

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“Allah shall shield thee, even though the people will not; and even if the people do not protect thee, Allah shall protect thee.”

The Holy Qur'an on the Coming of the Messiah

Fareeha Haroon

The advent of the Messiah is foretold in the Holy Qur'an with verses that directly and indirectly allude to the coming of the Messiah in the Latter Days. These verses give the news of the coming of the Messiah as well as mentioning signs that will accompany his appearance. In Surah al-Jumu'ah (Chapter 62) we read: "He it is Who has raised among the unlettered people a Messenger from among themselves who recites unto them His Signs, and purifies them, and teaches them the Book and wisdom, although they were before, in manifest misguidance; And among others from among them who have not yet joined them. He is the Mighty, the Wise" (1).

The above verse not only describes the coming of the beloved prophet of Islam, Hazrat Muhammad (sa), but also mentions a group of people who will come later and will be of the same status as the Holy Prophet's (sa) loyal and blessed companions. "It was the promise of Allah the Exalted to the Holy Prophet (sa), that in the Latter Days a person who will be the lover and the follower of the Holy Prophet (sa), will be sent by Allah the Exalted as the Promised Messiah and Mahdi, and if there is any corruption in the religious teachings in Islam then he will rectify it and he will revive the religion. So, now, Islam is the true religion that is in its original shape. There is no book of the previous prophets that is in its original shape. It is only the Holy Qur'an that is in its original shape. And our opponents even accept that there has never been any change in the Qur'an despite the fact that there had been some temptations to change it. And it is the claim of Allah the Exalted, in the Holy Qur'an, that the Qur'an will never be changed, and this is why we see that even today the Holy Qur'an is in the same form as it was revealed to the Holy Prophet (as)" (2).

When the verses of Surah al-Jumu'ah were revealed, a companion of the Holy Prophet (sa), Abu Hurairah (ra) was present; he narrated the following: "One day we were sitting with the Holy Prophet when Surah Al-Jumu'ah (Chapter 62) was revealed. I asked the Holy Prophet, 'Who are the people to whom the words And among others from among them who have not yet joined them, refer?' Salman the Persian was sitting among us. Upon my repeatedly asking him the same question, the Prophet put his hand on Salman and said, 'If Faith were to go up to the Pleiades, a man from these would surely find it'" (3). As explained by Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra), the second Khalifa of the Promised Messiah (as).

"This Hadith shows that the verse applies to a man of Persian descent. Now, the Promised Messiah, the Founder of the Ahmadiyya Movement, was of Persian descent. Other sayings of the Holy Prophet speak of the appearance of the Messiah at a time when there would remain nothing of the Qur'an but its words and of Islam but its name i.e., the true spirit of Islamic teaching will be lost (Baihaqi). Thus, the Qur'an and Hadith both seem to agree that the present verse refers to the Second Advent of the Holy Prophet in the person of the Promised Messiah" (4).

In verse 7 of Surah as-Saff of the Holy Qur'an, Allah says, "And remember when Jesus, son of Mary, said, 'O Children of Israel, surely, I am Allah's Messenger unto you, fulfilling that which is before me of the Torah, and giving glad tidings of a Messenger who will come after me; his name being Ahmad.' And when he came to them with clear proofs, they said, 'This is manifest sorcery'" (5).

This verse enumerates the task performed by the Holy Prophet (sa) and that his coming was the fulfilment of the prayer of Prophet Abraham (as): "Thus the prophecy mentioned in the verse under comment applies to the Holy Prophet, but as a corollary it may also apply to the Promised Messiah, Founder of the Ahmadiyya Movement, since it was in his person that the Second Manifestation of the Holy Prophet (sa) took place. It is to this Second Manifestation or Second coming of the Holy Prophet (sa) that the third verse of the next Surah Al-Jumu'ah pointedly refers" (5).

The following Qur'anic verse discusses the proof of the truthfulness of the Holy Prophet (sa): "Can he, then, who possesses a clear proof from his Lord, and to testify to whose truth a witness from Him shall follow him, and who was preceded by the Book of Moses, a guide and a mercy, be an impostor? Those who consider these matters believe therein, and whoever of the opposing parties disbelieves in it, Fire shall be his promised place. So be not thou in doubt about it. Surely, it is the truth from thy Lord; but most men do not believe" (6).

The Holy Prophet (sa) cannot be an impostor as the previous scriptures as well as the Holy Qur'an are a testimony to his truthfulness. These two proofs take care of past and present. Furthermore, Allah mentions a witness that will come later and testify to his truth. This verse refers to the Promised

Messiah (as) who will come in the Latter Days and will re-establish the truthfulness of the Holy Prophet (sa) when the opponents will be trying to obliterate his name by distorting the facts. It is also confirmed by a Hadith in which the Holy Prophet (sa) said that his Ummah will not go astray as he is sent in the beginning and the Messiah will come at the end. Moreover, the Holy Qur'an mentions that the Holy Prophet (sa) is like Prophet Moses (as): "Verily, We have sent to you a Messenger, who is a witness over you, even as We sent a Messenger to Pharaoh" (7). It implies that there must be other similarities between them. Both are law-bearing prophets. Since Jesus (as) came fourteen centuries after Prophet Moses (as), similarly, there must be a Messiah who will appear fourteen centuries after the coming of the Holy Prophet (sa).

There are chapters in the Holy Qur'an that describe the signs of the Latter Days and also mention a Reformer who will come at that time to lead the believers to the right path: "In the name of Allah, the Gracious, the Merciful. By the heaven having mansions of stars. And by the Promised Day. And by the Witness and by him about Whom witness is borne" (8).

Chapter 85 of the Holy Qur'an entitled al-Buruj, presents the coming of twelve reformers as proof of the truthfulness of the Holy Prophet (sa). It goes on to refer to a promised day. Islamic history is full of promised days and among them is the day of the coming of the Promised Messiah (as) as it was the harbinger of the revival of Islam. The fourth verse of Surah al-Buruj explains it: "Every Prophet or Divine Reformer is a Shahid, i.e., bearer of witness, because he is a living witness to the existence of God, and he is also Mashhud (to whom witness is borne) because God bears witness to his truth by showing Signs and miracles at his hands. But here, as the text shows, the Shahid is the Promised Messiah (as) and Mashhud is the Holy Prophet (sa), and the verse signifies that the Promised Messiah (as) will bear witness to the truth of the Holy Prophet (sa) through his speeches, discourses and writings and by the Signs that God will show at his hands. He will also bear witness in the sense that in his person the prophecy of the Holy Prophet (sa) about the appearance of the Promised Messiah and Mahdi in the 14th century A.H. will be fulfilled. The Promised Messiah (as) is also Mashhud in the sense that the Holy Prophet himself has borne witness to his truth. Thus, the Holy Prophet and the Promised Messiah are both Shahids (bearers of witness) and Mashhuds (to whom witness is borne)" (9).

All these prophecies and conditions have been fulfilled and the Latter-Day Messiah has come in the person of Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as). All these verses also stand proof to his truthfulness. With his advent, the renaissance of Islam has also begun. His ever-increasing followers and his victory over

his adversaries and rivals are merely a few of the signs of his truthfulness. As the Holy Qur'an says: "Allah has decreed: 'Most surely, I will prevail, I and My Messengers.' Verily, Allah is Powerful, Mighty" (10).

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community was established by Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad in 1889 and it has spread to all corners of world. It is flourishing and making progress by leaps and bounds. The Holy Qur'an affirms that no false prophet can be successful: "And who is more unjust than he who forges a lie against Allah or gives the lie to His Signs? Surely, the unjust shall not prosper" (11).

This unparalleled success is undeniable testimony to the truthfulness of Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as) as the Messiah and Mahdi, as foretold in the Holy Qur'an.

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The Second Coming of the Messiah: the Perspective of the Holy Bible

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From a religious perspective, we are living in an interesting age. Many people and communities of the main faiths around the world are expecting a Messiah of the Latter Days. Their scriptures give them tidings of a reformer who will correct their wrongs and bring salvation, and who was predicted to descend around this current period.

A 2006 survey showed nearly 80% of American Christians believe in the second appearance of Jesus Christ while another survey in 2010 revealed only 40% of American Christians believed he would return by 2050 (1). There have been recorded predictions by Christian leaders about the year of the Messiah's appearance, starting from the 600s, being stretched into the 2070s as year after year, they fail to find a white-robed god-like person descending from the skies (2). Similarly, the Jews are expecting the appearance of a Messiah, Hindus continue to wait for a Kalki Avatar of their Lord Vishnu, while the Sikhs await the second coming of Guru Gobind Singh and the majority of Muslims also await the second coming of the Messiah.

Waiting for second coming of Jesus?

Before falling into despair over failed predictions or scorning religions as myths and make-believe stories, it is worthwhile to consider another possibility – that the Messiah or Avatar that was prophesied in different scriptures to arrive in this age, has already made his appearance.

This article will review some of the prophecies of the Holy Bible about the Second Coming of the Messiah and determine if they have been fulfilled yet.

To begin, we must determine the person of the Messiah as mentioned in the Bible. Did Jesus prophesy about his own reappearance as believed by Christians and by the majority of people of other faiths, or did he indicate that the Messiah of the Latter Days would be another person coming in his name?

In Matthew, we find Jesus (as) saying "Ye shall not see me henceforth till ye say "Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord" (3). Thus, in his opinion, the Prophet or Messiah of the Latter Days will come in his name only; this clearly substantiates that a chosen one of God, other than Jesus (as), would come in his name and be the Messiah of the Latter

Days. Similarly, when the Jews protested that Jesus Christ could not be their awaited Messiah as Elijah had not appeared, Jesus replied: "But I say unto you that Elijah has come already, and they knew him not, but have done unto him whatsoever they listed. Likewise, shall also the son of man suffer of them. Then the disciples understood that he spoke unto them of John the Baptist" (4). Therefore, the notion that a different person can fulfill the role of the second coming of the Messiah is not only possible and logical but is also supported by the sayings of Jesus (as) himself.

The second question is about the timing of the appearance of the Messiah. We read in the Bible: "And they shall fall by the edge of the sword and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled. And there shall be signs in the sun and in the moon, and in the stars, and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and waves roaring. Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things, which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory" (5).

There are a number of signs mentioned in this prophecy to help readers identify the Latter Day Messiah. The first sign is that of a long period of suffering of Jews at the hands of the Gentiles – or Romans – when they will be persecuted and driven out of Jerusalem. The second coming of the Messiah is prophesied to occur at the end of this persecutory period. According to history, this period finally ended in 1844 when Turkey signed the 'Edict of Tolerance' allowing Jews to freely enter Jerusalem. The second sign is of astronomical value, in every sense of the word. The signs of the "sun and in the moon, and in the stars" is explained in Matthew 24:29, "Immediately after the tribulation of those days, shall the sun be darkened and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from the heavens and the power of the heavens shall be shaken". This can be interpreted to mean solar and lunar eclipses and meteor showers. The nineteenth and twentieth centuries saw an unprecedented number of meteor showers which have not occurred since (6). Solar and lunar eclipses are not uncommon phenomena, but their significance lies in their manifestation as a sign of the advent of the Messiah. The sign of the solar and lunar eclipses is

explained in detail by the Holy Prophet of Islam (sa): "Of our Mahdi there are two signs which have never taken place ever since the Earth and the Heaven came into existence. One is that in the month of Ramadan the moon shall be eclipsed on the first of its nights and the sun in the middle of its days; and such a sign has never occurred ever since the creation of the Earth and the Heaven" (7). This prophecy was fulfilled in March and April of 1894.

The third Biblical sign mentioned in a verse of Luke is that of distress and restlessness on earth. History bears witness to an unbelievably long list of riots and revolutions, civil wars, and two world wars that occurred in the period of two centuries, from the Napoleonic wars to the Bolshevik revolution to the two horrific world wars that resulted in ripples of conflict, aggression and resentment that are still felt today (8).

In 'The Wonderful Century,' R.A. Wallace says: "There was, therefore, no 19th century resting place. The French Revolution, combined with the Industrial Revolution (both unfinished), affected both ways of thinking and feeling. The repercussions are still echoed today" (9).

Jesus gives another clue, in Luke, to identify the Messiah of the Latter Days, describing the treatment he and his followers will receive at the hands of others: "For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay or resist. And ye shall be betrayed both by parents and brethren, and kinsfolk and friends, and some of you shall be put to death. And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake. But there shall not a hair on your head perish" (10).

Like every true prophet of God, the Promised Messiah (as) was to suffer intense persecution, his message rebuffed, and his followers discriminated against and tortured. And yet, no one would be able to extinguish the light that is the message he would bring. This is the one sign of the prophets that has consistently been seen throughout the history of mankind, and no one with a fair perspective could deny it.

Reviewing just a few of the many signs and prophecies mentioned in the Holy Bible regarding the second coming of the Messiah, we now cast our eyes over the last two centuries to look for a person and his followers who might fulfil these signs. From among many claimants, we find Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as) of Qadian (which is directly east of Jerusalem, fulfilling yet another prophecy), who was born in 1835 and departed this earth in 1908, and who was renowned for his piety and godliness from his early life. He explained the teachings of Islam in an age when people had completely forgotten the true Islamic principles and were

steeped in crime, iniquity, and worldly pleasures. He disclosed the truth about the crucifixion of Jesus Christ and restored his status as a revered Prophet of God. In 1889, under divine guidance, he finally claimed to be the Promised Messiah and Mahdi who was awaited by all religions. From the very beginning, he and his followers faced a severe backlash and persecution. His followers were boycotted, tortured, and even murdered. There was no limit to efforts by others to completely wipe out this small group of pious people. However, his community, known as the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, continued to flourish. Today, his devoted followers are numbered in tens of millions and spans over 200 nations. One needs only to study his life, his works, including over 80 books on religions and comparative religious studies, to understand that he is indeed the true Promised Messiah and Reformer who is awaited by the Christians, the Muslims, as well as by the followers of all other religions.

Note: It is not possible to do justice to this vast and complex topic within the confines of a single article. Readers are urged to read further on this subject at the following link. There are 7 parts to the article; a link to each successive part appears at the end of each page at:

<https://www.alhakam.org/the-bible-and-the-truthfulness-of-the-promised-messiah-a-s-part-i/>

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Glorious Future of the Community Formed by Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as), the Promised Messiah and Mahdi

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A messiah is “a leader who is believed to have the power to solve the world’s problems” (1). Religions such as Christianity, Judaism, Hinduism, Buddhism, and even Native American and First Nations people, are all waiting for the coming of a messiah who will bring peace, justice and salvation. This is exactly the claim of Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as), the Promised Messiah and Imam Mahdi. He wrote in The Will: “God Almighty desires to draw all those who live in various habitations of the world, be it Europe or Asia, and who have virtuous nature, to establish the Unity of God and unite His servants under one Faith. This indeed is the purpose of God for which I have been sent to the world” (2).

The above claim means that God, the Creator of the Universe, wants humankind to unite and to worship Him, to fulfill rights for each other, to respect each other, and most importantly, to do good deeds and maintain peace. Mass shootings, war, global food crises, and unfulfilled rights are a few of the many problems that we see in the world today. Unfortunately, many people in the world do not realize that the main reason all these atrocities and conflicts are happening is that humankind has forgotten the Creator—the One Lord of the universe. When the world was in darkness, Allah sent a reformer to lift humankind from the darkness. Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as) was successful in uniting his followers under one Faith, and members of his community continue to strive to develop good character, compassion, and the courage to spread his message. Allah says in the Holy Qur’an, “And let there be among you a body of men who should invite to goodness, and enjoin equity and forbid evil. And it is they who shall prosper” (3). This verse signifies that in this world there will be a group of people who will encourage others to worship One God, strive to do good, and avoid bad deeds in order to promote peace and create harmony in the world. Those people are the followers of the Promised Messiah (as), known as Ahmadi Muslims. In order to fulfill Allah’s commandment to form a community of believers, Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, the Promised Messiah (as) invited all people to join his movement so they may live in peace and realize their true purpose—i.e., to worship One God and fulfill the rights of His creation.

On December 1, 1888, Allah told Hazrat Mirza Ghulam

Ahmad, the Promised Messiah (as) that anyone who wished to have true religion should pledge allegiance to him. Then on January 12, 1889, Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as) created a list of ten “conditions,” or “dos and don’ts” that a person should commit to when joining his community and strive to adhere to throughout their life. These included not associating partners with Allah, lying, or engaging in any form of adultery, and promising to help and have sympathy for all creations of God. On March 23, 1889, Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, the Promised Messiah (as) started taking pledges of allegiance from the people who believed his claim—that Allah sent him as the second coming of the Messiah who would revive the teachings of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (sa). At that time, forty people took the oath of allegiance in Ludhiana, India (4). Moreover, in 1903, the Promised Messiah (as) wrote in his book that Allah will “spread this Movement (Ahmadiyya Muslim Community) in all the countries” (5). That prophecy was fulfilled 118 years later by a steady increase in followers (more than 125,000 new converts entered the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community in 2021 alone) and locations (more than 400) (6).

Another example of the glorious future of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community is the divinely guided system called Al-Wasiyyat. Members can choose to donate 1/10th to 1/3rd of their income, wealth, and property, and these donations are distributed in a just manner. Due to this financial sacrifice, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community is a self-sufficient organization that relies only on the generosity of its members to operate. It has built hospitals, schools, and water wells on different continents, and is the only Islamic sect that has established its own advertisement-free television channel, Muslim Television Ahmadiyya (MTA). MTA broadcasts in many different languages such as English, Arabic, Urdu, Spanish, Turkish, various African languages, Indonesian, and Malaysian. The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community has achieved this without ever asking for donations from any outside entity, bank, political leader or party, or philanthropic organization. Its members donate voluntarily for the propagation of Islam and to uphold the Unity of God. Ahmadi Muslims do this in order to achieve nearness to Allah. They are not expecting anything in return, but Allah Himself states He will reward those who sacrifice wealth for Him. Explaining

the success of Al-Wasiyyat in the future, Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad (ra), Khalifatul-Masih II, wrote in 'The Economic System of Islam': "Money and property will come by millions, so much so that no State, American, Russian, English, German, Italian or Japanese, will ever have had so much wealth and property under its control" (7). This is another example of the glorious and bright future promised by Allah to the community of the Promised Messiah (as). Thus, the future of the Ahmadi Muslim Community is bright as long as Ahmadi Muslims fulfill the "Ten Conditions of Bai'at" (Pledge of Allegiance).

Another important prophecy that will be fulfilled in the future concerns Russia. The Promised Messiah (as) wrote: "On January 22, 1903, I saw in a vision that the scepter of the Czar of Russia had come into my hand. It was very long and beautiful. But examining it carefully I found that it was a gun, though it had not the appearance of one. It had secret barrels and outwardly appeared to be no more than a scepter, while it was also really a gun" (7). Khalifatul-Masih II (ra) explained that this prophecy meant that Ahmadi Muslims would reform the socioeconomic system of Russia in the future. He further explained the meaning of the dream of the Promised Messiah (as): "It is not a fanciful dream but our conviction that God has put us in charge of removing Russia's evils and reforming the Soviet system and that one day the Russian people will embrace Ahmadiyyat and establish the system we have described" (8).

This prophecy from Allah is clear. If World War III or nuclear war takes place in the future, the two superpowers of the world (The United States and Russia) will collapse, after which time Russia will quickly recover. Russians will follow Islam and become members of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, the community of the Promised Messiah (as). Moreover, the New World Order under the Divinely-appointed scheme Al-Wasiyyat will prevail in replacing the broken system of communism (9). Thus, it is not an exaggeration to claim that the community of the Promised Messiah (as), the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, will become the backbone for the world after a nuclear or world war. It will become the remedy to the cancer of immorality that we see today, a clear sign of the Latter Days. Above all, the most important aspect of this foretold future is to make sure the majority of the people in the world understand that the purpose of their creation is to worship Allah and fulfill the rights of His creation. Only then can peace, harmony, and stability be achieved, which is ultimately the aspiration of all humankind.

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Why does Saudi Arabia want Red Sea islands of Tiran and Sanafir?

A multinational peacekeeping force will leave a strategic Red Sea island by the end of the year, the US says, potentially boosting opportunities for future contact between Saudi Arabia and Israel.



The territorial status of the islands, which are uninhabited but of key strategic value, needs to be ratified by Israel [File: AFP]

The White House has announced that peacekeepers including US soldiers will leave the strategic Red Sea island of Tiran by the end of the year, possibly boosting opportunities for future contact between Israel and Saudi Arabia

"Thanks to the months of quiet, persistent diplomacy, we have finalised an agreement to move international peacekeepers from Tiran Island in the Red Sea and transform an area that once sparked wars into a future hub of peaceful tourism and economic development," US President Joe Biden said at a summit in Saudi Arabia on Saturday, after the move was first announced on Friday.

Egypt ceded the two small Red Sea islands of Tiran and Sanafir, which are uninhabited but of key strategic value, to

Saudi Arabia in 2016. But their territorial status needs to be ratified by Israel before their sovereignty is transferred.

The decision to remove peacekeepers could help resolve the tricky status that stems from their location and turbulent history and build trust between Israel and Saudi Arabia – two US allies that are now taking gradual steps that Washington hopes could one day lead to full diplomatic ties.

Who owns territorial claim over the islands?

- The islands have been under the sovereignty of Egypt since 1950.
- Israeli troops invaded the islands during the 1956 Suez Crisis that came after Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser nationalised the canal, which was instrumental to trade between Europe and Asia.
- Egypt regained control briefly for about a decade, but the islands – along with the Sinai Peninsula – were occupied by Israel again following the 1967 war.
- Under the landmark 1978 Camp David peace treaty, Israel returned control of the Sinai, Tiran and Sanafir to Egypt. In 2016, Egypt ceded the islands, located east of its resort town Sharm el-Sheikh, to Saudi Arabia.

Why did Egypt cede control of the islands to Saudi Arabia?

- The controversial April 2016 decision by President Abdel Fattah el-Sisi to hand over territorial sovereignty to Riyadh sparked nationalist protests in Egypt, which were quickly stifled.
- Critics accused el-Sisi of ceding the islands in return for Saudi aid and investment. The government argued the islands were originally Saudi Arabian but leased to Egypt in the 1950s.

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Allah's Favour and Mercy

O God,
O Maker of things;
Who protects me from being exposed;
Thou art the Provident,
O my Beloved,
my Benefactor, my Sustainer.

It is merely?
out of grace;
that Thou hast chosen me;
Otherwise, there was no dearth
of servants in Your court.

Those who
used to profess friendship
turned into enemies;
But Thou hast
never abandoned me;
O friend in my need.

O beloved
Who has no equal,
the refuge of my life;
Sufficient for me are You
without You I am nought.
But for Your kindness,
I would have turned to dust;
Then how and where
that dust is thrown away
only Allah knows.

I have spent my early days,
under Your benign shadow.
You carried me in Your lap
like a suckling infant.
I never witnessed such fidelity
in the human race,
as You possess.
There does not exist a friend,
who can commiserate like Thee.

They say that none
is accepted without merit.
Lo, being without merit,
I have been granted
a station in Thy court.
You have overwhelmed me
with such favour and kindness
as cannot be recounted
Till the end of time.

Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, Braheen-e-Ahmadiyya,
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Questions & Answers

What is the Distinct Quality of the Promised Messiah (as)?



Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qadian,
The Promised Messiah and Mahdi (as)

In a dream, I saw that people were searching for a Rejuvenator. One of them came forward and pointing in my direction declared: 'This is the man who loves the Messenger of Allah.' By this they meant that the principal qualification which the destined Rejuvenator had to possess was the love of the Holy Prophet, may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him. And according to them, I most certainly fulfilled this condition.

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926 Evans Rd, Milpitas, CA 95035-3409

CT – Hartford - (Bait-ul-Aman Mosque)

410 Main St, Meriden, CT 06451-5090

DC – Washington - (Fazl Mosque)

2141 Leroy Pl NW, Washington, DC 20008-1848

FL – Miami - (Bait-un-Naseer Mosque)

208 NW 7th Ct, Hallandale Beach, FL 33009-2323

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9501 Satellite Blvd Ste 103, Orlando, FL 32837-8445

GA – Atlanta - (Bait-ul-Ata Mosque)

1800 Willow Trail Pkwy NW, Norcross, GA 30093-2668

HI – Honolulu - (Mosque/Community Center)

650 Kohou St Ste 1B, Honolulu, HI 96817-4422

IL – Chicago - (As-Sadiq Mosque)

4448 S Wabash Ave, Chicago, IL 60653-3121

IL – Chicago - (Bait-ul-Jaami Mosque)

25510 State Route 53, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137-7176

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KS – Kansas - (Mosque/Center)

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4 Nasir Ahmad Rd, Sharon, MA 02067-1164

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370 Main St, Fitchburg, MA 01420-8007

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MD – National Headquarter - (Baitur Rahman Mosque)

15000 Good Hope Rd, Silver Spring, MD 20905-4120

MI – Detroit - (Bait-ul-Muzaffar Mosque - to be rebuilt),

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MI – Detroit - (Masjid Mahmood)

1730 W Auburn Rd, Rochester Hills, MI 48309-3856

MN – St. Paul, MN (Nusrat Mosque)

11450 Robinson Dr, Coon Rapids, MN 55433-3745

MO – St. Louis - (Bait-ul-Hafeez Mosque)

4529 Emerson Ave, Saint Louis, MO 63120-2237

NC – Cary - (Mosque/Center)

830 Old Apex, Cary, NC 27513-4235

NC – Charlotte - (Mosque Charlotte)

5314 Mt Holly Hunterville Rd, Charlotte, NC 28216-8801

NJ – Central Jersey - (Bait-ul-Hadi Mosque)

27 South St, Old Bridge, NJ 08857-2951

NJ – Northern New Jersey - (Bait-ul-Wahid Mosque)

131 Wagaraw Rd, Hawthorne, NJ 07506-2711

NJ – Willingboro - (Al-Nasir Mosque)

500 Bridge St, Willingboro, NJ 08046-3741



Yousuf Mosque - Tucson AZ



Bait-ul-Hameed Mosque - Chino CA



Ahmadiyya Mosque - Pico Rivera LA



Bait-ul-Aman Mosque - Hartford CT

NV – Las Vegas - (Bait-ut-Tauheed Mosque)

6574 W Cheyenne Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89108-4929

NY – Albany - (Bait-un-Nur Mosque)

941 River Rd, Schenectady, NY 12306-6526

NY – Buffalo - (Mahdi Mosque)

9610 Colvin Blvd, Niagara Falls, NY 14304-2812

NY – Binghamton - (Bait-ul-Hamd Mosque)

10 Sheedy Rd, Vestal, NY 13850-5902

NY – Bronx - (Bronx Mosque)

3421 White Plains Rd, Bronx, NY 10467-5704

NY – Brooklyn - (Bait-ut-Tahir Mosque)

1477 W 8th St, Brooklyn, NY 11204-6402

NY – Long Island - (Bait-ul-Huda Mosque)

64 Union Ave, Amityville, NY 11701-3024

NY – Queens - (Bait-uz-Zafar Mosque)

188-15 Mclaughlin Ave, Hollis, NY 11423-1137

NY – Rochester - (Bait-un-Naseer Mosque)

1609 East Main St, Rochester, NY 14609-7009

NY – Syracuse - (Bait-ul-Ihsan Mosque)

6650 Old Collamer Rd, East Syracuse, NY 13057-1214

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297 Center Rd, Bedford, OH 44146-2251

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245 Division St, Harrisburg, PA 17110-1262

PA – Lehigh Valley - (Bait-ul-Ata)

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PA – Philadelphia - (Baitul-Afiyat Mosque)

1215 W Glenwood Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19133-1336

PA – Pittsburgh - (Al-Noor Mosque)

747 South Ave, Wilkinsburg, PA 15221-2939

PA – York - (Ahmadiyya Mosque)

7063 Wertzville Rd, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050-1543

TN – Alabama/Tennessee - (Mahmood Mosque)

101 Maple St, Smyrna, TN 37167-2631

TX – Austin - (Bait-ul-Muqheet Mosque)

800 Deepwood Drive, Round Rock, TX 78681-5628

TX – Dallas - (Bait-ul-Ikram Mosque)

1850 Hedgcoxe Rd, Allen, TX 75013-3083

TX – Fort Worth - (Baitul Qayyum)

2801 Miller Ave, Fort Worth, TX 76105-4134

TX – Houston - (Bait-us-Samee Mosque)

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VA – Central Virginia - (Mubarak Mosque)

4555 Ahmadiyya Dr, Chantilly, VA 20151-3393

VA – Richmond - (Anwaar Mosque)

2617 Turner Rd, Richmond, VA 23224-2539

VA – Woodbridge - (Masroor Mosque)

5640 Hoadly Rd, Manassas, VA 20112-3408

WA – Seattle - (Bait-ul-Ehsan Mosque)

23515 Old Owen Rd, Monroe, WA 98272-7636

WI – Milwaukee - (Bait-ul-Qadir Mosque)

5600 W Found Du Lac Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53216-1222

WI – Oshkosh - (Qamar Mosque)

300 N Eagle St, Oshkosh, WI 54902-4225



Bait-ul-Hamd Mosque – Binghamton NY



Bait-uz-Zafar Mosque – Queens NY



Bait-ul-Ihsan Mosque – Syracuse NY



Bait-ul-Ahad Mosque – Cleveland OH



Bait-un-Nasir Mosque – Columbus OH

10 Conditions of Bai'at (Initiation)



On December 1st, 1888, Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as), the Promised Messiah and Mahdi, published an announcement that God had ordained him that whomsoever sought true faith and piety, should pledge allegiance to him so that Allah may shower His mercy and beneficence on them.

- 1** That till the last day of his life, he shall abstain from *shirk* (associating any partners with Allah).
- 2** That he shall keep away from falsehood, cruelty, adultery, dishonesty, disorder, rebellion and every kind of evil.
- 3** That he shall offer prayers (*Salat*) five times daily.
- 4** That he shall not inflict injury on any of Allah's creatures.
- 5** That he shall bear every hardship for the sake of Allah.
- 6** That he shall not follow vulgar customs, and shall guard against evil inclinations.
- 7** That he shall discard pride and haughtiness, live in humility & meekness
- 8** That he shall hold his faith, dignity, and the welfare of Islam dearer than his own life, wealth and children.
- 9** That he shall have sympathy for all of God's creatures, and devote his talents to their welfare.
- 10** That he shall establish brotherhood with him (i.e., Ahmad), obeying him in all good things, and firmly adhere to these rules until the last breath of his life.

The list provided here gives an overview and abbreviated version of the ten conditions of the Bai'at. Please see the full text of the ten conditions of Bai'at at: <https://www.alislam.org/articles/conditions-initiation-baiat/>

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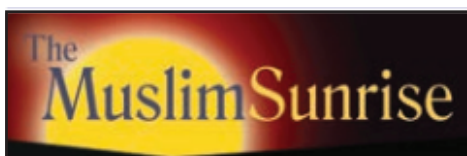
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